

REMARKS

Claims 1-10, all the claims pending in the application, stand rejected. Claims 1-4 and 7 are amended. New claims 11-15 are added. New claims 11 and 12 are based on the description of the original claims 3 and 7, respectively. New claims 13-15 are based on the description of the original claims 8-10, respectively.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. This rejection is traversed for at least the following reasons.

The Examiner has objected to the word “predetermined” and to the spelling of an acid in claim 4.

In order to overcome the Examiner’s objection of the usage of the term of “predetermined” in claims 1 and 2, “predetermined” has been deleted from claims 1 and 2. After “reference value” in claims 1 and 2, Applicant has added --determined depending upon a required flatness required to the glass substrate --. This amendment is based on the description “The flatness required to the glass substrate” of page 16, line 21 of the original specification and on the description “Depending upon the required flatness, the reference value for controlling the flatness in the flatness control step (P-3) is determined.” of page 16, lines 23-24 of the present application.

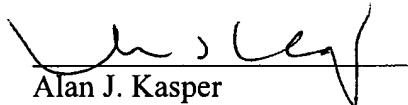
The spelling error has been corrected.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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